

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph that starts on page 6, line 1, beginning with the words “FIG. 1 is a ...” and ending with the words “... may also want to show patella”, with the following replacement paragraph showing all changes relative to the previous version of the paragraph:

FIG. 1 is a diagrammatic view showing a tibial platform, representing an exemplary bone platform, being below the condyles of the femur; representing exemplary condyles; ~~may also want to show patella.~~

Please replace the paragraph that starts on page 9, line 30 with the words “Referring now to Fig. 1 ...” and ends on page 10, line 8 with the words “... the tibia and patella?”, with the following replacement paragraph showing all changes relative to the previous version of the paragraph:

Referring now to FIG. 1, there is depicted a bone platform generally designated 40 being situated below condyles 42. The bone platform 40 of FIG. 1 is depicted as a tibial platform 40 of a tibia 41 while the condyles 42 are of a femur/knee. It should be appreciated that the tibial platform 40 and condyles 42 are representative of any similar bone platform. The tibial platform 40 supports a meniscus 44 that is over subchondral bone 45. The tibial platform 40 is assumed to have an osteochondral defect. The subject invention provides an implantable device for the osteochondral defect. The condyles 42 typically exert a load represented by arrows L onto the tibial platform 40. Particularly, the condyles 42 of the femur 43 exert

physiological loading on the tibial platform 40 during normal joint use.

The implant ~~is actually intended~~ may be used for a medial femoral condylar (MFC) defect, ~~and our initial data is in the MFC. Perhaps we should describe FIG. 1 relating to a MFC defect, and mention the other load bearing surfaces such as the tibia and patella?~~